(b) whether the National Commission has prescribed a questionnaire for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI K. V. THANGKA BALU): (a) The State-wise names of social groups which have so far approached the National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC) for recognition as Backward Class are given in the Annexure. [*See* Appendix 173, Annexure 40].

(b) Yes, Sir.

Financial assistance to voluntary organisation

1918. SHRI GUNDAPPA KORWAR: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications for financial assistance received by Government from the various voluntary organisations in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State/Union Territory-wise;

(b) the number of applications approved out of them by Government alongwith the assistance provided State/Union Territory-wise; and

(c) the number of applications pending for approval?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI K. V. THANGKA BALU): (a) to (c) A statement is Annexed. [*See* Appendix 173, Annexure No. 41].

Facilities to SC ST students going abroad for higher studies

1919. SHRI GUNDAPPA KORWAR: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe students sent abroad for higher education during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;

(b) the facilities provided by Government to them for getting higher education; and

(c) the number and details of scholarship provided under the scheme of national overseas scholarships?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI K. V. THANGKA BALU): (a) A statement showing the number of Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe students sent abroad for higher education during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise is given in the enclosed statement. (*See* below).

(b) Welfare Ministry's National Scheme of Overseas Scholarship for Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe, etc. students provides for:

(i) Maintenance allowance:

US $ 5940 per annum for Bachelor's degree in Priting Technology,

US $ 6600 per annum for Master's degree in prescribed courses/Ph.D.

US $ 7700 per annum for Post Doctoral research/training;

(ii) Tuition and other compulsory University fee and medical insurance premia, if any;

(iii) Contigency allowance up to US $385 per annum for books/essential apparatus / study tour/typing and binding of thesis;

(iv) UP to US $15 to cover incidental journey expenses;

(v) Equipment allowance of Rs. 1100/-; and

(vi) Economy class air passage from India and bank.

Under Dr. Ambedkar Foundation's Overseas Fellowship Scheme, candidates for pursuing Ph.D and Post Doctoral work in Economics, International Relations, Law, Constitutional Studies and Sociology and Post Graduate studies in Law and Constitutional studies, irrespective of their caste, creed, religion and race are provided maintenance allowance of US $ 8400 per annum, full reimbursement of tuition and other compulsory fees payable to University abroad, contingency allowance of US $ 1200 per annum and economy class air passage from India and back.

The Department of Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development also administers scholarships/fellowships offered and funded by foreign countries under various Cultural Exchange Programmes and multilateral agreements. Such scholarships/fellowships funded by donor countries do not provide for any reservation for any category of students/scholars. However a relaxation in age is allowed by two years for appropriately qualified SC/ST candidates.

(c) Under the scheme of National Overseas Scholarship each year 30 scholarships are awarded; 17 scholarships to Scheduled Castes, 9 scholarships to Scheduled Tribes, 2 scholarships to Scheduled Castes converts to other religions or their dependents, 1 scholarship to Denotified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Tribes and 1 scholarship to childrens of landless agricultural labourers and traditional artisans of communities other than that above.

Statement

Number of SC/ST Students sent Abroad during last Three years and current year in reply to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1919 by Shri Gundappa Korwar for 24-3-1995

Sl. No	Name of the State/UT	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Andhra Pradesh	3	1	2	2
2	Assam	1	..	..	1
3	Himachal Pradesh	1	1	..	..
4	Jammu & Kashmir	.	..	1	..
5	Karnataka	1	1	..	..
6	Kerala	..	..	2	.
7	Madhya Pradesh	1			.
8	Maharashtra	.	1	3	2
9	Manipur	1	1		1
10	Meghalaya	1		..	..
11	Nagaland		1	..	..
12	Orissa	..	1	..	1

1	2	3	4	5	6
13	Punjab	..	2	1	..
14	Tamil Nadu	4	6	5	4
15	Tripura	..	1	..	..
16	Uttar Pradesh	2	..	1	1
17	West Bengal	..	..	1	3
18	Delhi	..	2	..	..
	TOTAL	15	18	16	15

बिहार में आदिवासियों तथा अनुसूचित जातियों हेतु कल्याण योजना

1920. **श्री जनार्दन यादव** : क्या कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार के पास बिहार के भागलपुर तथा संथाल परगना मंडल में आदिवासियों और अनुसूचित जातियों संबंधित व्यक्तियों के कल्याण के लिए कोई पृथक योजना है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री श्री के० वी० तांकाबालू) जी नहीं ।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठाता ।

(ग) कल्याण मंत्रालय द्वारा सम्पूर्ण बिहार राज्य में अनुसूचित जातियों तथा अनुसूचित जनजातियों के आर्थिक तथा सामाजिक विकास के लिए केन्द्र प्रायोजित योजनाएं कार्यान्वित की जा रही है । बिहार के भागलपुर तथा संस्थाल परगना मंडल के आदिवासियों के लिए मौजूदा समेकित आदिवासी विकास परियोजनाएं तथा संशोधित क्षेत्र विकास दृष्टिकोण पाकेटों तथा क्लस्टरों के अंतर्गत चल रहे सामान्य विकासात्मक कार्यक्रमों को कार्यान्वित किया जा रहा है ।

Reservation in technical education

1921. SHRI SANATAN BISI: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the benefit of reservation is available to the SC, ST and OBC in the technical education; and

(b) what is the percentage thereof for the SC, ST and OBC?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI K. V. THANGKA BALU): (a) and (b) In Technical education institutions, according to the existing instructions, 15 per cent of seats are to be reserved for students belonging to Scheduled Castes and 7.5 per cent to those belonging to Scheduled Tribes. At present, no reservation in central educational institutions under Government of India is provided for OBCs.

Setting up of branches of NMDFC

1922. SHRI SANATAN BISI: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) how many persons have been benefied from the National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC) till the end of 1994;